Delaware Supreme Court Amends Delaware Supreme Court Rule 42 and Official Form L

By an order dated April 30, 2015, the Delaware Supreme Court has amended Supreme Court Rule 42 and Official Form L. These amendments are effective May 15, 2015. The rule amendments are available on the Court's website.

Supreme Court Rule 42 has been rewritten to provide more guidance regarding when the Court will consider an interlocutory appeal. It remains the case that the grant of an interlocutory appeal will be the exception, rather than the rule, and that even if a particular case meets one of the criteria identified in the rule, it does not necessarily mean that an interlocutory appeal will be granted. The Committee and the Court will review the operation of the rule amendments after one year to determine whether further amendment is necessary to discourage meritless applications to the trial court and this Court.

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